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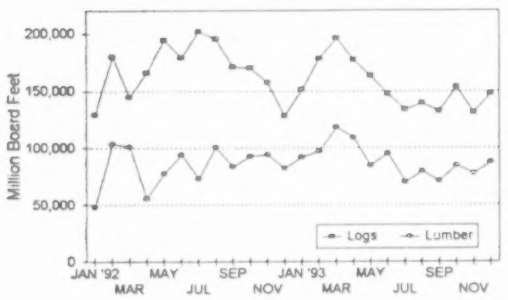
A Fact Sheet on U.S. Wood Product Exports to the Pacific Rim **Issued: March 1994**

Exports to Japan
Softwood Logs & Lumber



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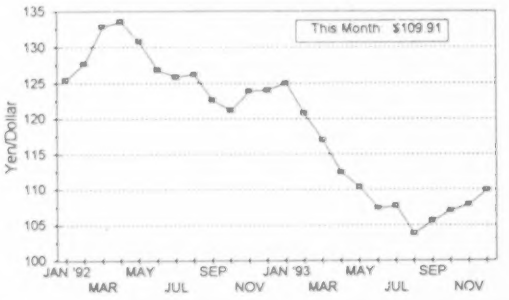
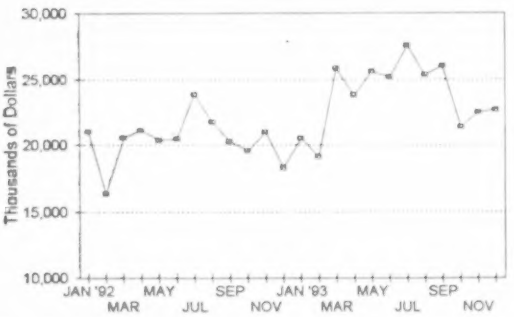
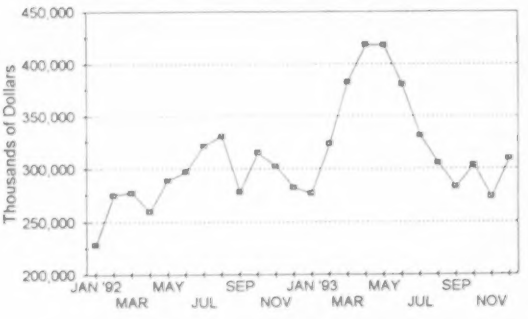


Value of Hardwood Lumber Exports to the Pacific Rim



Value of All Wood Products Exports to the Pacific Rim



Total U.S. Exports to the Pacific Rim ($000)

Country Markets	Dec.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
Japan	253,008	10.6	3,193,684	17.3
China	4,098	29.6	106,277	(17.2)
Korea	26,549	17.0	376,984	19.0
Taiwan	15,028	16.2	178,690	7.4
Australia	5,428	311.8	96,932	25.3
Hong Kong	4,259	34.4	36,377	23.4
Singapore	1,076	11.6	14,355	13.3
TOTAL	$309,445	13.3	$4,003,298	15.9

Product Groups	Dec.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
Softwood Logs	158,125	19.2	2,156,409	18.2
Softwood Lumber	56,410	20.0	726,885	24.1
Hardwood Logs	7,727	9.7	85,746	21.9
Hardwood Lumber	22,648	0.9	285,326	16.8
Hardwood Veneer	3,906	(2.5)	43,923	21.1
Particleboard	1,494	29.5	21,545	(25.2)
Other	59,136	0.6	683,467	2.9
TOTAL	$309,445	13.3	$4,003,298	15.9

Notes:
(1) Sources are USDA Foreign Agriculture Service & Dept. of Commerce unless noted otherwise.
(2) Percent changes from or to zero values are noted by *.

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U.S. Exports To:

		VOLUME				VALUE-$000			
		Dec.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Dec.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
JAPAN	Softwood Logs - MBF	147,651	12.5	1,851,415	(8.2)	137,864	14.8	1,822,307	22.0
	Softwood Lumber - MBF	87,272	13.2	1,063,152	5.9	51,949	17.4	612,736	22.9
	Hardwood Logs - MBF	3,195	7.0	30,894	16.7	5,319	*	53,837	26.9
	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	8,627	7.2	117,375	7.4	11,111	(2.2)	152,362	14.7
	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	11,622	1.2	128,176	7.0	981	(25.8)	14,453	(3.4)
	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	117	(63.6)	6,068	(45.3)	78	9.9	2,052	(15.6)
	Other					45,706	(2.2)	535,935	(0.4)
	Subtotal					253,008	10.6	3,193,684	17.3
KOREA	Softwood Logs - MBF	24,323	*	291,090	(28.5)	14,035	*	209,264	13.5
	Softwood Lumber - MBF	720	(32.2)	26,529	10.2	355	(53.8)	17,709	16.9
	Hardwood Logs - MBF	865	56.4	12,093	24.6	1,263	23.5	16,530	27.8
	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	1,920	(18.4)	24,145	26.0	2,678	(14.4)	31,178	44.8
	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	12,690	19.4	99,283	63.1	1,573	20.9	13,482	49.1
	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	4,125	57.1	33,764	(47.2)	671	46.2	9,921	(28.6)
	Other					5,974	(18.0)	78,896	31.6
	Subtotal					26,549	17.0	376,984	19.0
CHINA	Softwood Logs - MBF	5,430	29.4	129,967	(45.0)	3,494	58.8	95,816	(21.0)
	Softwood Lumber - MBF	83	11.4	768	(87.8)	45	(30.8)	398	(85.5)
	Hardwood Logs - MBF	89	18.2	1,347	64.3	172	3.6	1,789	*
	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	142	*	1,474	0.7	179	*	1,574	56.9
	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	28	(74.3)	2,712	*	3	(72.7)	268	*
	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	169	*	275	*	50	*	82	*
	Other					155	(77.1)	6,350	*
	Subtotal					4,098	29.6	106,277	(17.2)
TAIWAN	Softwood Logs - MBF	5,216	65.0	40,290	14.1	2,732	73.1	28,910	33.6
	Softwood Lumber - MBF	1,456	(53.4)	24,078	16.9	731	(27.6)	12,144	45.0
	Hardwood Logs - MBF	457	(6.7)	8,172	11.7	785	3.4	12,610	14.1
	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	7,295	22.7	82,333	(3.5)	6,002	7.5	75,044	4.5
	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	5,207	(27.5)	84,420	43.2	591	(35.3)	9,821	38.8
	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	1,950	(7.1)	35,485	(32.2)	379	(26.8)	7,511	(12.0)
	Other					3,808	47.9	32,649	(14.0)
	Subtotal					15,028	16.2	178,690	7.4
AUSTRALIA									
	Softwood Logs - MBF	0	*	82	(86.8)	0	*	60	(81.7)
	Softwood Lumber - MBF	4,406	*	112,912	1.8	2,871	*	81,153	36.6
	Hardwood Logs - MBF	76	*	308	(58.9)	143	*	344	(71.1)
	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	277	*	2,348	(18.2)	445	*	3,428	(16.4)
	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	2,326	*	9,236	(38.6)	305	*	1,260	(38.2)
	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	0	*	76	(86.8)	0	*	39	(86.7)
	Other					1,664	*	10,650	6.6
	Subtotal					5,428	*	96,932	25.3

Japanese Market Data

Imports (Thousand Cubic Meters)	Nov	Oct	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	U.S. Import Market Share YTD (%)
Softwood Logs	1,116	1,219	(8.4)	13,587	(1.7)	51.5
Softwood Lumber	728	626	16.3	8,214	19.5	23.1
Hardwood Logs	729	782	(6.7)	8,082	(19.6)	1.4
Hardwood Lumber	158	183	(13.4)	1,621	14.4	16.1

	Dec.	Nov.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Wooden Structures YTD %
Housing Starts-000	125.9	131.1	(4.0)	1,485.7	5.9	46.9

Sources: Japan Wood Products Information & Research Center;